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H.B. No. 276

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to an assessment of the safety and regulation of municipal
3 solid waste facilities.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. In this Act:

6 (1) "Commission" means the Texas Commission on
7 Environmental Quality.

8 (2) "Solid waste facility" has the meaning assigned by
9 Section 361.003, Health and Safety Code.

10 SECTION 2. (a) The commission shall conduct an assessment
11 of the safety and regulation of municipal solid waste facilities in
12 this state. The assessment must consider:

13 (1) the permit application and approval process;

14 (2) restrictions regarding the location of municipal
15 solid waste facilities;

16 (3) inspections and enforcement of regulations
17 regarding municipal solid waste facilities; and

18 (4) any other matters the commission considers
19 appropriate.

20 (b) Not later than December 1, 2018, the commission shall
21 provide to each standing committee of the legislature with primary
22 jurisdiction over environmental regulation a detailed written
23 report regarding the assessment conducted under this section.

24 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect December 1, 2017.